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MISSISSIPPI LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

October 18-19, 1945

HEIDELBERG HOTEL, JACKSON

PROGRAM

Theme: "EQUALIZING LIBRARY SERVICE IN MISSISSIPPI"

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18

Registration on mezzanine floor, Heidelberg Hotel, 5-8 P. M.

8 P. M.

WELCOME—Governor Thomas L. Bailey. Introduction by Mrs. Janie Rice Taylor.

GUEST SPEAKER: Hodding Carter, Editor Delta Democrat-Times, Greenville. Introduction by T. M. Hederman, Jr., Chairman Executive Board, State Library Commission.

RECEPTION—Executive Mansion. Courtesy Committee in charge.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 19, 9:30 A. M.

BUSINESS (Including election of officers).

SPEAKER: Mr. Knox McCharen, Librarian, Tennessee College for Women. Subject: "The Library in the Educational Program." Introduction by Mrs. Gertrude Rowzee, Vice-President, Mississippi Library Association.

SPEAKER: Mrs. Eunice Eley, Executive Secretary, State Library Commission. Subject: "Mississippi Program of Library Development."

2 P. M.-4 P. M.

CITIZEN'S MEETING

LEADER: Jameson C. Jones, Chairman of Alcorn County Library Board. (This will be an open forum for citizens who are interested in Library development.)

The Executive Secretary of the Louisiana Citizen's Library Movement will be present to report on their organization and its activities.

8 P. M.

GROUP MEETINGS: Round table discussion of library problems. Miss Pearl Sneed, Leader of Public Library Group—Parlor A; Miss Ada Holladay, Leader of High School, College and University Group—Parlor B.

Note: Registrations will be maintained for a period prior to each meeting and following the sessions.

Miss Julia Wright Merrill, Chief Public Library Division, ALA, has accepted an invitation to attend the meeting.

LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

The program for better information about the Library Commission and its services, for increased support for the Library Commission and for State Aid for Public Libraries, has been printed in pamphlet form to be distributed to librarians, trustees and interested citizens. If you have not received your copy please write to the Library Commission for it. If you have received a copy please

- a. Read it carefully.
- b. If all of your questions are not answered write to the Library Commission for further information.
- c. Go personally and talk with legislative representatives from your county or, if this is not possible, write and ask them to vote for the appropriation.
- d. After your contact with the legislators write to the Library Commission and report on the response of the legislators, whether favorable or otherwise. If legislators want more information it will be sent to them.

The Library Commission and the Legislative Committee of the Mississippi Library Association alone can **never** bring about this much-needed library support. **It can be done** if enough people in the state are actively interested. **Actively interested** means being willing to work for this legislation. Librarians, most of all should take the leadership. It will not be an easy task. If it is accomplished it will be by the united effort of all those who believe in the value of books, who realize that Mississippi, on the whole, is lacking in good library service, and who want to change the picture.

At the next meeting of the Mississippi Library Association those present will be given an opportunity to tell what they have done and what response they have met in work for this legislation.

Do you approve of a Citizen's Library Movement for Mississippi? If so see that your library or your section of the state is well represented at the Citizen's Meeting on the State Association program the afternoon of October 19th.

MESSAGES

1. From—

Carl Vitz, Past President of the ALA and chairman of the Library Development Fund, "After 25 years of fear, appeasement and then war, the opportunity to plan for lasting peace is ours again, but responsibility is not alone for peace but also for a better democracy.

"None of us can safely ignore the great inequalities—economic, social and educational—existing in our country. As librarians we must be concerned with library inequalities. The sponsors and endorsers of the Library Development Fund believe that the extension of library service to unserved areas, and its improvement in poorly served areas, is the immediate contribution librarians can and should make to preserve and strengthen democracy. The goal set is \$105,000. Over \$67,000 has been subscribed. Many states plan to complete their campaigns this fall.

If we honestly believe in our hearts that books are indispensable—and are not just saying so with our lips, then we will gladly share in this Library Development Fund. Let's say with our dollars 'Library service for all'."

2. Attention, Library Trustees!

From Andrew B. Lemke, Illinois Library Trustee, "Last August the atomic age was dramatically and fearsomely ushered in during the closing days of the war. Life has suddenly become dynamic.

"We of the library world, trustees, librarians, and friends of libraries, can place opposite the atomic bomb the American public library with all the possibilities for positive education and knowledge that it offers. This can be our contribution toward preserving the good things that belong to the heritage of man.

"We are told that 35,000,000 Americans are without public library service. The Library Development Fund Campaign, as sponsored by the American Library Association, will give us the means for solving this problem. Part of the money will be used to maintain in Washington a library representative who can speak for the profession. One of his duties will be to work for federal aid which will make it possible for state and local agencies to provide good book service to those millions now without it.

"Some trustees have already given to the cause and given generously; some may have decided to give but have not yet done so; others may not have heard about the opportunity. I am speaking now to the last two groups.

"We know the need for books, educational, recreational and spiritual, in our communities. We know that we are all better for having public libraries. As a Trustee I am asking you to join me in making it possible for less fortunate people to enjoy these same privileges."

SURPLUS PROPERTY

The latest report from the Library Development Fund headquarters is that Mr. Paul Howard has resigned his position as librarian of the Gary, Indiana Public Library to go to Washington as library representative (On Library Development Fund Contributions). One of the duties of Mr. Howard, we understand, will be to make every effort to secure the use of surplus war property for libraries.

Miss Bethany Swearingen, Assistant Librarian of the Jackson Public Library and State Chairman of the Library Development Fund, has rendered valuable service in the leadership of the state campaign.

MISSISSIPPI STATUS OF LIBRARY DEVELOPMENT FUND

Quota	\$440.00
Contributions to date	344.20
Balance due	\$ 95.80

STATE NEWS

The Scott County Board of Supervisors has agreed to appropriate \$100 per month for the support of a county library. Some funds will be given by the towns of Forest and Morton and the library will be opened soon.

The Hinds County Library has had the services of Miss Christine Hollis as library assistant for the summer months. Miss Hollis will return to her teaching position in September and the position in the library will be filled by Miss Madge Sterling, a recent graduate of Mississippi College.

The Grenada County Library has been given additional space adjoining their former location in the Community House. This has added much to the attractiveness and efficiency of the library.

The Bay Saint Louis-Hancock County Library, is attempting to raise \$500.00 through public subscription to buy much needed books.

Inquiries regarding library building plans have come from Indianola and from Starkville. Several other places are considering post-war library buildings as War Memorials.

Word from the American Library Association received some time ago requested that all anticipated plans for library buildings be registered with the state extension agency and also the A.L.A. so that when and if there is federal aid to a public building program libraries may be included. If your library building plans have not been sent to the Library Commission you are asked to do this as soon as possible.

Miss Mary Joan Finger of Ripley worked in the Library Commission for six weeks during the past summer taking inventory and cataloging. She did excellent work and brought the files up to date. Miss Finger is employed as librarian in the Clarksdale High School.

CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK—NOVEMBER 11-17

This national and international week of emphasis on Children's books and reading furnishes an excellent opportunity for libraries to stress library service for children. Book week material, including posters and suggestions, may be obtained from National Headquarters, 62 West 45th Street, New York 19.

The Mississippi Library Commission will be glad to furnish books for exhibit purposes, as far as resources allow. The Children's book collection in the Commission is small, due to lack of funds to include sufficient books in all classifications. The Commission will also furnish suggestive book lists for Children's reading.

A PARTIAL LIST OF NEW BOOKS RECENTLY RECEIVED BY THE LIBRARY COMMISSION

These and other similar titles will be check to any person in the state on request; free except for postage charge. In your request state if substitutes will be accepted.

INTERESTING PEOPLE

Burch. What manner of man?
(Franklin D. Roosevelt).

Cooper. Twenty modern Americans.

Davidson. Good Christian men.

Hatch. General Ike (Dwight D. Eisenhower).

Crain. Rulers of the world.

Caruso. Enrico Caruso.

Earheart. Frances Willard.

Papashivily. Anything can happen. (Russian immigrant.)

Patrick. Jefferson Davis and his cabinet.

Wood. Raymond L. Ditmars; his exciting career with reptiles, animals and insects.

Harrison. Son to Susanna. (John Wesley.)

James. George W. Truett.

RELIGION — BETTER LIVING

Fitch. One God; the ways we worship him.

Fosdick. A great time to be alive; sermons on Christianity.

Jones. Christ of the American road.

Knudson. The principles of Christian ethics.

Page. Living abundantly.

Palmer. Aids to worship; a handbook for public and private devotions.

Brodie. Keeping your church informed.

Sangster. The Bible quiz book.

Cowles. Don't be afraid; how to get rid of fear and fatigue.

Luccock. Story of Methodism.

Chappell. Living zestfully.

Chase. The Bible and the common reader.

Carr. Know thyself; character analysis as a game and a guide.

Porter. Papa was a preacher.

HEALTH—MEDICINE

Bauer. Contagious diseases; a guide for parents.

Sokoloff. The story of Penicillin.

Gumpert. You are younger than you think.

Haggard. Man and his body.

Fabricant. The common cold and how to fight it.

SCIENCE—USEFUL ARTS

Stokley. Science remakes the world.

Drew. How to pass radio license examinations.

Garnell. It's fun to make a hat.

Keith. How to speak and write for radio.

Hicks. Principles and practices of radio servicing.

Gregory. Anything a horse can do; the story of the helicopter.

Dunlap. Future of television.

Carlisle. Air forces reader.

Tieman. Wood technology.

Briere. Your forests.

Perry. Modern plywood.

Mongomery. Story behind inventions.

Goodrich. Bricks without straw. (Synthetic rubber.)

Cooper. Poultry for home and market.

THE SECRET SERVICE

Crump. Our United States secret service.

Floherly. Inside the F.B.I.

EDUCATION—SOCIAL WORK AND CONDITIONS

Thayer. American education under fire.

Hollis. Philanthropic foundations and higher education.

National Congress of Parents and Teachers. Parent-teacher organization; its origin and development.

Works. Rural America today; its schools and community life.

Moore. Essentials of parliamentary procedure.

Garrette. A political handbook for women.

Munro. Handbook for clubwomen.

Pink. Freedom from fear (Social Insurance).

Davis. Industrial life insurance.

Scherman. Will we have inflation?

Kurst. Social work year book. 1945.

Bingham. How to interview.

Hollis. Social case work in practice.

Berge. Cartels; Challenge to a free world.

Cleveland. The coming air age.

Dobyns. The amazing story of repeal.

Flynn. Meet your Congress.

Forrester. Methods of vocational guidance; with specific helps for the teacher of business subjects.

Gallup. A guide to public opinion polls.

Johnsen. Compulsory arbitration of labor disputes.

Johnsen. Lowering the voting age.

Kemmerer. Gold and the gold standard.

Perry. Democracy begins at home; the Tennessee fight on the poll tax.

Fisher. Our young folks.

Goldstein. Marriage and family counseling.

Powdermaker. Probing our prejudices; A unit for high school students.

Willkie. An American program.

Redding. No day of triumph.

Logan. What the negro wants.

La Farge. The race question and the negro; a study of the Catholic doctrine on interracial justice.

Hansen. The immigrant in American history.

Embree. American Negroes.

Brown. Our racial national minorities.

Wright. Black boy.

Neuschutz. Jobs for the physically handicapped.

ANTIQUES

Drepperd. The primer of American antiques.

Robacker. Pennsylvania Dutch stuff.

HOUSE AND GARDEN

Garden Club of Virginia. Homes and gardens of old Virginia.

Jenkins. Enjoy your house plants.

Ramsey. Garden pools, large and small.

Hume. Azel'as and camellias.

Hottes. Book of perennials.

Foley. Annuals for your garden.

Better homes and gardens. Better homes and gardens gardening guide.

Averill. Japanese flower arrangement.

Creighton. Planning to build.

Spears. Make and remodel home furnishings.

Dalzell. How to remodel a house.

Bedell & Gardner. Household mechanics. (A 'fix-it' book.)

Brobeck. Serve it buffet.

AMUSEMENTS—SPORTS

Burt. Shower book.

Fite. Cokesbury shower book.

Frank. Sports extra; classics of reporting.

Leeming. Fun with clay.

Ackley. Marionettes; easy to make!

Hazeltine. Anniversaries and holidays.

Fisher. Riddle-de-quiz.

Chase. The singing caller. (A book on the square dance.)

ANIMALS

Benchley. My animal babies.

GENEALOGY

Handbook of American genealogy.
Edited by Frederick A. Virkus.

Doane. Searching for your ancestors.

FINE ARTS — LITERATURE AND LANGUAGE

Skolsky. Evenings with music.

Lewis. How to read better and faster.

Adams. The shape of books to come.

American Library Association. Postwar standards for public libraries.

Labrant. The Librarian and the teacher of English.

Baird. Representative American speeches, 1943-1944.

Botkin. Treasury of American folk-lore.

Vale. The technique of screenplay writing.

Hackett. Fifty years of best sellers.

Davenport. My country. (Poem).

Jagendorf. 25 non-royalty holiday plays.

Mantle. The Best plays 1943-44 and the year book of the drama.

Cerf. Try and stop me.

Thurber. The Thurber carnival.

Kantor. Author's choice. (Short stories.)

Brooks. World of Washington Irving.

Bender. NBC handbook of pronunciation.

AMERICA AND OTHER LANDS

Carter. Lower Mississippi (Rivers of America).

Kane. Deep Delta Country.

Bloom. There's no place like Washington.

McLeish. The American story.

Rennie. Argentine republic.

Soule. Latin America in the future world.

Robson. The Pacific Islands handbook.

Boulter. India.

Busoni. Stanley's Africa.

Barmine. One who survived. (Russia).

Snow. The pattern of Soviet power.

Lauterbach. These are the Russians.

Clark. Mexico; magnetic southland.

Coleman. Portugal, wharf of Europe.

Clayton. Heaven below. (China).

Crow. China takes her place.

Hahn. China to me.

Grafton. Introducing Australia.

Hogarth. Australia; the island continent.

Johnson. Bride in the Solomons.

Karshi. Story of a secret state. (Poland).

Morris. Traveler from Tokyo.

Oliver. Korea; forgotten nation.

Snow. People on our side. (United Nations.)

Van Der Velt. City set on a hill; the story of the Vatican.

Gjeljerstam. Northern summer. (Norway.) Northern winter. (Norway.)

THE WAR AND AFTER

Anshen. Beyond victory.

Welles. An intelligent American's guide to the peace.

Chaplin. Fifty-two days; an NBC reporter's story of the battle that freed France.

Freeman. Peace is the victory.

Karig. Battle reports: Pearl Harbor to Coral Sea.

Pyle, Ernie. Brave men.

Thomas. Born in battle.

Summers. Dumbarton Oaks.

Waller. The veteran comes back.

Wecter. When Johnny comes marching home.

Thomas. Four fears.

Johnsen. Post-war wage stabilization.

ADULT FICTION

Baker. Party line.

Bromfield. Pleasant valley.

Carter. Winds of fear.

Cronin. The green years.

Davenport. Valley of decision.

Doughty. The music is gone.

Elliott. My aunt Louisa and Woodrow Wilson.

Fast. Freedom road.

Flack. Family on the hill.

Goudge. Green Dolphin street.

Gunther. Troubled midnight.

James. The great short novels of Henry James.

Langley. A lion is in the streets.

Lawrence. Let us consider one another.

Roberts. Royal street, a novel of old New Orleans.

Robey. The innovator.

Sigaud. Belle Boyd, confederate spy.

Stone. Immortal wife.

Street. By valour and arms.

Thirkell. The headmistress.

Walker. Winter wheat.

YOUNG PEOPLE

Bro. Let's talk about you.

Burnett. Time to be young; great stories of the growing years.

Van Duzer. Girls daily life.

Bryant. Future perfect. (Etiquette.)

Jaeger. Wildwood Wisdom.

Pratt. When I grow up I'll be a teacher.

Leyson. Aeronautical occupations.

Chapelle. How planes get there.

Cleveland. Stay-at-home book for boys and girls.

Felsen. Pilots all.

Leeming. Fun with magic.

Best. Young 'un.

Brier. Sky freighter.

Brock. Here comes Kristie.

De La Mare. Mr. Bumps and his monkey.

De Leeuw. Linda Marsh.

Deming. Penny and Pam.

Dickson. Bramble bush.

Estes. The hundred dresses.

Fenner. Giants and witches, and a dragon or two.

Harper. Uncle Sam's story book.

Johnson. Cathy.

Kenney. Convent boarding school.

Sperry. Storm Canvas.

Tunis. Yea, Wildcats!



